

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Clerk-Recorder	(2) MEETING DATE 12/2/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Julie Rodewald 805 781-5080	
(4) SUBJECT Request to declare the results of the November 4, 2014 General Election. All Districts			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that your Board declare the results of the November 4, 2014 General Election.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) General Fund/Reimbursement from Other Agencies	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$876,000.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ____) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A Date: _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW Lisa M. Howe			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts.			

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Clerk-Recorder / Julie Rodewald (805)781-5080

DATE: 12/2/2014

SUBJECT: Request to declare the results of the November 4, 2014 General Election. All Districts.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that your Board declare the results of the November 4, 2014 General Election.

DISCUSSION

The Consolidated General Election was held on November 4, 2014 for the election of Federal, State, County, City, School and Special District offices, Statewide propositions and local measures. All vote-by-mail and provisional ballots have been counted and the official canvass has been completed. The County Clerk has certified the election and signed the Certificate of County Clerk and is submitting this to your Board along with the Summary Report of Final Official Election Results and the Statement of Votes Cast (Clerk's file). Pursuant to Elections Code §15400, the governing body shall declare elected or nominated to each office, the person having the highest number of votes for that office, or who was elected or nominated under the exceptions noted in Section 15452. The governing board shall also declare the results for each measure voted upon under its jurisdiction at the election. A request for a recount in the contest for mayor of the City of Pismo Beach has been received and the recount will commence on November 24 and should be completed by November 25. If the recount changes the results of this contest, your Board will be presented with an amended certification for that contest.

The turnout for this election was 58.42%, the lowest turnout for a mid-term election in the last 34 years. San Luis Obispo voters again turned out in a greater percentage than the statewide average, which currently stands at 40.8%. In keeping with the trend for ever-increasing participation with vote-by-mail ballots, 94,929 vote-by-mail ballots were issued, and 64% of those were returned voted (62,288). This number represents 71% of those who voted in this election, the highest percentage of vote-by-mail voters for any regularly scheduled general election.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

The successful conduct of elections is a community effort and could not be accomplished without the facilities that served as polling places and the hard work of almost 800 people who staffed the polls on Election Day. Due to a shortage of precinct workers, 7 staff from 4 county departments filled in at the last minute as inspectors and clerks on Election Day. After the polls closed on election night, county staff from other departments joined the Clerk-Recorder team to ensure the efficient return, counting and securing of all voted ballots.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

\$876,000 was budgeted for the election, although the exact costs will not be finalized for several weeks. All cities,

schools and special district included in this election will reimburse the County for their pro-rated cost of the election and this reimbursement is estimated at \$480,000.

RESULTS

To have the Board of Supervisors declare the results of the November 4, 2014 Consolidated General Election as prescribed by law. This is consistent with the communitywide result of a well-governed community.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Certificate of County Clerk-Recorder
2. Summary Report of Election Results
3. Clerk's File Statement